

REMARKS & CONCLUSION

Claims 1 to 22 were allowed. Claims 23 to 36 were objected to because of informalities. Claim 23 was a duplicate number of claim and claims 23 to 36 were thus misnumbered. Applicants have renumbered the claims and amended the claims where necessary to correct claim dependencies accordingly. Renumbered claim 35 has been amended to correct a minor typographical error.

The term "geographic" also has been replaced in the claims by "geometric" to correspond properly with the specification where term "geometric" was used. Support for this correction can be found, e.g. in paragraphs [0008], [0010] to [0013], [0015], [0017], and [0022].

Applicants thank examiner for indicating claims 23 to 36 as allowable if the informalities were corrected and respectfully request such action.

Respectfully submitted,

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